METHOD, SYSTEM, AND PROGRAM FOR DISTRIBUTING
SOFTWARE BETWEEN COMPUTER SYSTEMS

ABSTRACT

Disclosed is a system, method, and program for distributing computer

5 software from a first computer system. The first computer system receives a request

for software from a second computer system. In response, the first computer system

generates a message, encrypts the generated message, and transmits the encrypted

message to the second computer system. The first computer system later receives an

encrypted response from the second computer system and processes the encrypted

10 response to determine whether the second computer system is authorized to access the

software. The second computer system is permitted access to the software after

determining that the second computer system is authorized to access the software. To

access the computer software with the second computer system, the second computer

system transmits a request for the software to the first computer system. The second

15 computer system receives an encrypted message from the first computer system and

processes the encrypted message to generate a response message. The response

message is transmitted to the first computer system. In response, the second computer

system is permitted access to the requested software.